

North Figueroa Association Board Meeting Tue. Jan. 20, 2015, 10am @ Future Studio

In attendance: Amy Inouye, Stuart Rapeport, Misty Iwatsu, Alex Rudisky, Tom Wilson, Titina Folliero, James Bygrave (Greyhound), Sean Cohan (GSS), Rick Stoff (Chrysalis), Irene Holguin & Jessica Galvez (Arroyo Vista), Tom Majich (new Swap Mall owner), Cyrus Etemad (new Mr T owner), Melinda Ramos-Alatorre (CD1)

Meeting called to order 10:04 am; minutes of Nov. 2014 meeting approved unanimously (Stuart motion, Alex 2nd)

Reports:

GSS: Lots of removals in Dec (432); training with LAPD will be arranged soon

Chrysalis: main issues are Xmas tree dumping and merchants using trash cans (Oscar is making a list of who is doing this most)

CD1: If illegal dumping is witnessed (photographed), it can be reported and cited; homeless encampments along the arroyo are growing, there is an effort underway to count (to take place 1/29 from 8pm to 2am) and also to help; transit village update: Friends of HP lost suit, building on first stage may start as early as March; need to make sure NFA use of bathroom and electrical for farmers market is still included in the plan; CD1 + NFA will work together to monitor filming issues; more bike lane meetings will be scheduled in conjunction with Great Streets discussions; diagonal parking plan has been taken out of the plans; grant applied for to help start improvements on the bank building

NFA: received \$3,000 LANI grant for pressure washing sidewalks; this was to coordinate w/ the mosaic tile project, which is still in progress but we need to coordinate w/ Great Streets and public works; need to work on a notification system of some sort for all these types of projects; NFA is one of only 3 Great Streets locations with a business improvement district; will need to work with transit village on relocating the farmers market during construction; will have a better report at Feb meeting; farmers market is finally close to breaking even!

Tom Majich: first step in Swap Mall ownership is public safety and cleaning up criminal activity; CD1 is researching the mural on the back of the building

James Bygrave: suggested adding a budget item for marketing to promote what's going on on Figueroa; Metro tie-in? sidewalk sale? Web site maintenance? Tom M volunteered his staff to help build a new web site; meeting of a marketing committee will be Feb 10 at Future Studio

New board positions: Titina motioned and Alex 2nded that we name James as treasurer (replacing Bill Vasquez) and Stuart as VP; unanimously approved. Alex motioned and Amy 2nded that we add Tom Majich, Irene Holguin, and Cyrus Etemad as board members; unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned 11:17am

Next meeting: Tue. Feb. 17 @ 10 am, Future Studio